



The Untied Shoe



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Chapter 1 by LazyPanda

Again...

I let them get to me.

Again...

I let them step all over me.

I sat in the corner of the gymnasium. The crowds were loud, but I couldn't hear a thing they said.

I hide myself within my hoodie. I hear steps. I mean, I hear lots of steps from the kids playing basketball, but these steps are different.

"A little lonely, I presume?"

I peek up for a moment. He kneels down and ties my tangled converse. Of course its Joey. Its always Joey. And although expected, I'm kind of glad to see him! I mean, I've like him for 2 years now. But who doesn't? He's pretty much drowning in girls...

"Hey Jo Jo! What you up to?"

"Oh? A nick name for my nick name? So does that mean you want less of me?!"

"Oh, I'm sorry, your highness! Forgive my disregards to you, King Joseph! Please don't have my head!"

He cracks up and takes a seat next to me. Two years ago, my heart would've bungee jumped out

of my chest but never come back. But who's 7th grade little heart wouldn't? He's tall and handsome. He has dark brown r... He's strong, could probably carry three of his blood su... and the best part?

"So now I own a castle? I s...

"Sure? Why not?"

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"Hmm. But this castle seems a little empty. And my throne is too big. Too many riches for noons to share it with. I have everything, right? So what am I missing?! Ah, yes. That's it... A queen!"

He stands up and reaches his hand out to me. I hesitate.

"Would you care to join me, Issabel?"

Yes. Absolutely the best part?

His humor.

Nobody who's sane or not joking around would ever want we to join them folr anything. And yet, I accept his large, warm, and welcoming hand, and he pulls me up ever so gently.

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